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SUBJ: PRIVATE VISIT TO U.S. BY FORMER PRIME MINISTER WILLIAM
MCMAHON

1. FORMER PRIMIN WILLIAM MCMAHON INFORMED ME JUNE 13 THAT HE WILL BE IN NEW YORK JUNE 20-30 ON PRIVATE BUSINESS. HE WILL BE A GUEST OF SIR IAN POTTER, RITZ TOWERS, PARK LANE, NEW YORK CITY. MCMAHON TOLD ME THAT HE HAD NOT PLANNED TO VISIT WASHINGTON ON THIS TRIP, BUT HE HAD NOW COME TO FEET IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE TO DO SO PROVIDING A BRIEF SCHEDULE OF VISITS COULD BE WORKED OUT IN WASHINGTON. I DID NOT HAVE TIME TO SOUND HIM OUT ON SPECIFIC REQUESTS, SINCE HE RAISED THIS MATTER WITH ME JUST AS HIS PLANE WAS BEING CALLED. HOWEVER, I WOULD JUDGE HIS INTERESTS WOULD RELATE TO A CALL ON OWEN ZURHELLEN, POSSIBLY SOMEONE IN EB OR TREASURY (HE WAS FORMERLY GOA TREASURER) AND POSSIBLY A CALL ON THE HILL.

2. I AM SORRY TO IMPOSE ON YOU IN THIS WAY, BUT COULD YOU GIVE MCMAHON A TELEPHONE CALL AT RITZ TOWERS AROUND JUNE 21 OR 22 AND DISCUSS WITH HIM ANY SCHEDULE THAT MIGHT BE MUTUALLY AGREEABLE. ALTHOUGH OUT OF OFFICE AS PRIMIN FOLLOWING LABOR VICTORY IN DEC., 1972, MCMAHON REMAINS ACTIVE MEMBER OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND IS FREQUENTLY INTERVIEWED IN AUSTRALIANMEDIA.

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